



Committee to Elect

**HECTOR ORTIZ**

**Councilman At Large**

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March 20, 1986

Mr. Yolande Carroway  
NATIONAL RAINBOW COALITION, INC.  
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Dear Ms. Carroway:

We would like to invite Rev. Jackson to participate in an event that will mark a new era in Newark.

On May 13th the Puerto Rican community had the opportunity to finally get one of its members elected as Councilman at large in the City of Newark.

Hector Ortiz represents the hope and the aspirations of a community which was an integral and active component to the successful attainment of leadership by the Black community in Newark back in 1970. Yet the Puerto Ricans have made no gains in the process and must now take a more aggressive approach to begin to change the situation.

When Reverend Jackson campaigned in New Jersey in 1984 the Hispanic Community was encouraged by a Black man of prominence preaching for the "Rainbow" concept which was the dream of 1970. A concept that would make all people inclusive in the search for power and equity. We waited fervently for Rev. Jackson's campaign and philosophy and we want to ask his assistance to take this agenda a step further.

Ms. Willie Harris referred us to contact Mr. Watkins in our effort to recruit the Rev. Jackson to come to Newark and speak in support of Hector Ortiz as a move to further the concept of the "Rainbow Coalition". We would very much like to have Rev. Jackson speak at a breakfast for Hector Ortiz on Sunday, April 28th at the QUALITY INN in Newark and walk the streets with Hector Ortiz in Pride and Reg.

We have limited resources but would be able to provide travel expenses and accommodations. Rev. Jackson would be making an investment in expanding the involvement of people of color in Newark for a new era.

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CONVENTION AT LARGE  
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As I mentioned to Mr. Martinez we need to know as soon as possible  
in order to make arrangements and finalize the breakfast program.

I hope you will be able to help us. I can be reach at:

(PH) 642-8880 (BUSINESS)

(PH) 480-9215 (HOME)

Thank you in advance for your consideration and support.

Sincerely,

  
Maria Placeron-Ru Soto  
Committee Member

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cc: Mr. Frank Martinez